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ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 24, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed November 16, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on February 17, 2004.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, the \$510 extension of time submitted on May 24, 2004 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be refunded by treasure check in due course.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail future correspondence solely to the address of record.

Receipt is acknowledged of the Amendment filed May 24, 2005, with the instant petition.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3229.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3600, Art Unit 3625 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Retta Williams".

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